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Freshmen legislators tour campus

2 Senators,
26 Representatives
view electronic
campus first hand

Newly-elected members of the Missouri General Assembly visited Northwest Tuesday for the election-year tour of state facilities.

University president Dean L. Hubbard said the group, which included two new senators and 26 freshmen members of the House of Representatives had lunch with university officials at the University Club in the J. W. Jones Student Union.

Hubbard discussed the university, its mission and goals and gave the campus visitors an opportunity to see a demonstration of Northwest's Electronic Campus, demonstrated by residents of Perrin Hall.



CAMPUS TOUR—Three newly-elected Missouri General Assembly members toured the campus as part of their tour of state facilities. Emi Miyagi, of Perrin Hall, was asked to show them the electronic campus on Tuesday. (Photo by Todd Weddle)

Faculty evaluation system established

by Jenni Westcott
Staff Writer

by Gene Morris
Managing Editor

After four years of research, a university-wide faculty evaluation system has been approved by the Faculty Senate.

The system has criteria to establish standards by which faculty members will be evaluated. The four areas to be critiqued are teaching, research/creative scholarly accomplishments, student support and service.

The document was based on 25 individual papers submitted to Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Robert Culbertson from various department chairs last spring. Over the summer months, he examined the papers and constructed the proposal which has been approved.

While the system will have set university-wide standards, each department will have some type of individual criteria to be completed.

"The criteria must reflect the unique character of the discipline. For example, you would not judge music the same way, by the same standards, as you would biology," Culbertson said.

Dr. Jerald Brekke, chairperson of the Government department, agrees that departments cannot be judged the same way. He does feel however that the system will not result in any major changes, due to the evaluation, but will instead increase paperwork.

"We will have to document things a lot more, which will cause more red tape," he added.

Dr. Frances Shipley, chairperson of the Home Economics department, feels the system will make her job as department chair easier.

She added that in the evaluation of faculty, the document "will give out more specificity and less objectivity."

Shipley also feels that the scholarly accomplishments requirement will provide students with more knowledgeable instructors in the classroom.

Brekke disagrees.

"Most instructors work hard now. I don't think that it will cause them to work any harder just because they know they will be checked on it. They are teaching out of a commitment to the profession," he said.

Northwest's failure to have an evaluation system for instructors is one thing that sets the University apart from other campuses. The lack of such a system is difficult to defend to the Board of Regents as well as other university supporters, according to a memo Culbertson sent to the department chairmen.

The documents will enable instructors to have a more fair evaluation, according to Culbertson.

"We are making more explicit the use of student opinion," Culbertson said. "To go beyond that and evaluate what goes on in the classroom is questionable."

"There are a large number of behavioral things a student can tell you about a teacher," he said. "They do not have the competency to determine if the faculty member is competent in his or her discipline."

Earthquake prediction falls through

by Tracy Lykins
Staff Writer

Monday at 4:56 p.m., reporters, sight-seers and residents of New Madrid waited impatiently for the earthquake that did not happen.

Iben Browning's prediction that an earthquake was likely to tear through the New Madrid fault brought reporters from all over the nation, according to Sara Kindhart, secretary at the Bank of New Madrid. Reporters from the New York Times and newspapers in Los Angeles journeyed to New Madrid to cover the predicted event. "Gary Col-

lins from the Home Show was also there," Kindhart said.

"It was like the Fourth of July," she said. "There were at least 20 satellite trucks and probably at least two or three times as many news, magazines, television and radio stations there without trucks. This was definitely the biggest news event of the year."

Gov. John Ashcroft and U.S. Sen. Kit Bond joined the gathering at New Madrid. They made several stops from Cape Girardeau to Caruthersville talking about earthquake preparation.

"The citizens here have done a

good job and made the most of an economic boomlet," Bond said. "They might want to have an earthquake awareness day every year."

Kindhart said she was truly amazed by all the hype. "I think people were more caught up in the excitement of the news media," she said. "The power of the press is a powerful thing, and this is a prime example of what the press can do."

Some of the changes Kindhart noticed on Monday included the bank employees parking across the street where there were not in high wires. She also said that

the bank's closing time is 4 p.m. but usually most people were around until 5 p.m. to close up. But on Friday everyone left around 4 p.m. "They did not want to be in a two-story building if something did happen."

Only one business closed for the three-day period according to Kindhart. Most businesses stayed open to attract the many sight-seers. The chamber of commerce and museum also sold tee-shirts and sweatshirts for the event. "You got a distinct impression that they (sight-seers and media) did not perceive any danger to themselves."

ABC, Senate disagree

by Tonya Reser
Staff Writer

The Alliance of Black Collegians and Student Senate disagreed over the possibility of reimbursement of \$300 to ABC for the recent Gospel Extravaganza during the Student Senate meeting Tuesday, Dec. 4.

The Senate decided not to allocate them the reimbursement.

After long discussion between the two organizations, it was decided since ABC is allotted a certain budget from Senate at the beginning of the year, they were not eligible of receiving the funds to cover their Gospel Extravaganza.

Senate members suggested ABC seek funds from other organizations. One ABC member argued that she did talk to Dr. Terry Barnes from the Culture of Quality about funding, but his response was that the production was aimed toward Baptist students and didn't feel it was an appropriate activity for Culture of Quality to fund. ABC will have to rely on their own budget to cover the Gospel Extravaganza.

Under organizational reports, Public Relations asked Senate to allocate \$50 for posters to promote Student Senate and to help familiarize the student body get with the organization. The motion passed.

Christmas classics Entertainment brings traditions



LA LA LA LA LA-Practicing for the Yuletide Feast, Lisa Carstenson and Ed Huenemann work on achieving the perfect sound. The Feast will be at 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 7 and Saturday, Dec. 8 in the Union Ballroom. (Photo by Deb Karas)

The Nutcracker

A holiday entertainment tradition comes to life when Ballet Iowa stages its version of "The Nutcracker" on campus.

The timeless classic will be presented Thursday, Dec. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Limited tickets to this Northwest Encore Performances event are currently on sale at the Administration Building during the day. Tickets

are also on sale at the Mary Linn Box Office from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Admission is \$5 for Northwest students and children 12 and under; \$7 for Northwest faculty and staff, senior citizens and non-Northwest students; and \$9 for adults.

"The Nutcracker" is a fairy tale ballet about happiness and about Christmas. To generations of

Yuletide Feast

Food, music and entertainment are all part of a Northwest holiday tradition this month.

The 17th annual Yuletide Feast, featuring the musical talents of the Madralier Singers, will be performed at 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 7 and Saturday, Dec. 8, in the Union Ballroom.

Featuring historic and beautiful musical entertainment reminiscent of that enjoyed by 16th Century English royalty, the Yuletide Feast is under the direction of Choirmaster Dr. Richard Weymuth, associate professor of vocal music. This year's production also features a new script, with such characters as the King, Queen, wench, hag, fool and jester.

The musical entertainment will include such holiday classics as "Coverly Carol," "Good King Wencelas," "Here we come a Wassailing," as well as traditional Christmas carols.

ballet audiences, Christmas would not be Christmas without "The Nutcracker." Children are entranced and adults are captivated by this beautiful ballet.

"The Nutcracker" is the story of a young girl whose holiday gifts come to life while she dreams. Ballet Iowa's version features the 12-member troupe, with artistic director Kennet Oberly building upon the original story.

'Main Street Opry' raises money for ALS

by Steve Rhodes
Staff Writer

One of Southern Missouri's most popular performing groups was brought to Northwest in an effort to raise money for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

Joining forces, Alpha Sigma Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon sponsored a performance by the 'Main Street Opry' on Friday, Nov. 30, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Before the entertainment started, the organizers of the event, Kenny Miller and Courtney Coffman spoke briefly to the audience about ALS. They explained that ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, was a fatal, progressive disease that attacked the nervous system, but did not affect the victims intellect.

Miller went on to explain that the father of one of his fraternity brothers had died of the disease and his own mother had been fighting the ailment for seven years.

During their two-hour performance, the 'Main Street Opry' showed off their versatility with a selection of numbers ranging from Bluegrass to Michael Jackson. In addition, the group's funny-man, Tom 'Gabby' Gumm, kept the audience amused with his slapstick routines and impersonations.

During an intermission period the audience took advantage of the opportunity to speak with members of the group.

Despite radio and newspaper advertisements and selling tickets at Wal-Mart, only about 300 people attended the event.

Coffman cited the Kansas City Symphony's appearance the previous evening and the basketball game Friday night as possible reasons for the small crowd.

"I think a lot of people didn't understand what the show was, especially the college students," Coffman said. "They probably saw 'opry' and thought the show would be really hillbilly."

Members of the performing group were also surprised about the lack of response.

"This area is home to some members of the group," Steve West, the group's master of ceremonies, said. "I was really surprised that there was such a small crowd because we are pretty well known in the area."

Gumm, who attended Northwest for a semester in 1967, stated that he was pleased with the enthusiasm of those attending, but regretted that more college-age people didn't make it.

"We try to put together a show that will appeal to everyone," Gumm said. "We do a show in Ft. Leonardwood for guys that are fresh out of boot camp, and they love the show. I would really have liked to see how college students here would have liked it."

OUR VIEW

Sticky fingers
cost consumers

The Christmas shopping season is here again. For many stores this is the biggest money-making season of the year, but they also experience their greatest losses during this time.

The Christmas season is a time for giving, unfortunately some people capitalize on the busy holiday rush as a time to take what they want.

Each year millions of dollars in losses are reported among American businesses. These losses are not caused by unwise investments on the stocks either, but by a minority of people who steal from the stores.

You might wonder how John Doe stealing a pair of tennis shoes from the shoe store affects the average consumer. It means about a 33 percent increase in the price of the merchandise.

For example, the Pamida in Maryville loses about \$25,000 a year to shoplifting. Losses like that cause businesses to raise their prices on all retail goods. The old saying, "there ain't no such thing as a free lunch," is really true.

The shoplifters are not the ones paying for it, we are -- the honest people of America. What can we do about it?

We can start by being less apathetic when seeing crime take place.

Many times people actually see others shoplifting, but fail to do anything about it. If some of these people would report what they see to store workers, there might not be as much of a problem.

Stiffer penalties should be imposed on shoplifters, such as some type of community service. If they rob from society, they should be made to give back to society as well.

If everyone would band together against shoplifters, we could make Christmas what it really should be -- a time for giving, not taking.



Your hero spreads Christmas cheer

Stroller composes poem, wishes



STROLLER

A Christmas Poem

'Twas the night before Christmas
and all around Northwest
Not a co-ed was stirring
After finals they needed their rest

All the stockings were hung
By the Bell Tower with care
In the hopes that Jill Hawkins
Wouldn't give them a parking ticket there

Hubbard in his kerchief
With Churchill in his lap
Had just settled in for a long
Christmas break nap

When out on the lawn there
arose such a clatter
Came to find out it was only a
ladder (from the construction)

Then what to their wandering
eyes should appear
But a miniature space shuttle
with 8 tiny space deer

On freshmen, on sophomores,
on juniors, on seniors!

On graduates, on faculty, on
staff and administrators!

They were passing out gifts
To their left and their right
Aleta jumped up and said
Hubbard honey, now there's a sight!

They didn't stay long after
Finishing their work
Then they beamed themselves
up

And turned with a jerk
But we heard them exclaim
As they disappeared into flight
Merry Christmas to Northwest
And to Northwest a good night!

Christmas Wishes

Dear Santa,
I'm writing this letter on behalf
of all my fellow students at
Northwest Missouri State
University in Maryville.

We have all tried to be good co-eds
this year, except for a few and
they know who they are.

We'll leave Gretel's cookies and
milk at the Bell Tower for you and
the reindeer if we can find
enough money left on our Ala dine cards.

Here's our wish list:

- * More parking NEAR campus
- * Big, supportive crowds for our winning basketball teams
- * Take-home finals
- * Any kind of fast-food gift certificates
- * Christmas bonuses for Ala-dine cards
- * Financial Aid
- * Unlimited extra credit
- * ARA holiday cookbook for relatives you don't like
- * Direct hotline to Domino's
- * A class called Naptime 101 (No, not Freshman Seminar)
- * Heat in the dorms in the winter, not summer
- * Hot water in dorm showers
- * More school spirit
- * The ability for a fraternity to

have a party without getting busted

- * Campus dining survival guide
- * The ability to judge people on their personality, not ACT score
- * A happy & safe 1991
- * An unlimited supply of hair-spray for each sorority
- * Round trip tickets for foreign students so they can be with their families for the holidays
- * More great CAPS movies
- * The ability for seniors to enjoy their last year AND make good grades
- * Refunds for unused earthquake insurance

But, on a more serious note, here are some more wishes:

- * A crime-free campus
- * American troops home for the holidays
- * Racial indifference
- * World peace

Thanks dude!

Your favorite elf, Stroller

LETTERS

Homecoming marching bands defended

Dear Editor,

I am responding, rather calmly, to Kenneth Miller's recent letter addressing the alleged Homecoming problems.

Kenneth, when you say "our parade" who do you refer to? Does it belong to you and your beer-drinking buddies of the campus fraternities? No. But you do build nice floats, and the clowns are very entertaining. Does the parade belong to the band directors? No. The bands are invited to come. They take money out of their own budgets to bring the band members to Maryville for Homecoming. Some bands spend a lot of time preparing for the event. Some don't. It is easy to tell. The bands come to compete, to learn, to watch, to participate.

Along with the bands also come the proud parents to watch their children march. What else do they do? They eat at local restaurants, shop at local stores. They bring money. Lots of it. Does the parade belong to the city of Maryville? Damn right it does.

Hundreds of alumni return for Homecoming. By the way, several of the band directors were Northwest alumni. Some of the wealthy alumni make tax deductible contributions to the University. They bring money, too!

Tell me Kenneth, what is Homecoming? It is a celebration of the alma mater for the alumni. For the University, it's a public relations and recruiting event. For the citizens and businesses of Maryville, it's economic opportunity. For the students, it's supposed to be a chance to show school spirit, fraternal brother-

hood, sorority pride, fun, football, and yes, even a few keg parties.

So, what do you suppose the parents of all those prospective students think about a bunch of drunken college students bellowing "No more bands!" What do you think the band directors and their students thought as they marched by? What do you think the local business people think as you chastise them for their lack of support, while at the same time you ask their customers to stay home?

Yes, Kenneth, it's our Homecoming. But it also belongs to the University, the alumni, the faculty, the community, and of course the bands. Kenneth, sit down and shut up.

David M. Perry

X-106 'Racist' label
disturbs reader

Dear Editor,

I am responding to the letter printed in the last edition, Nov. 15, of the Missourian regarding the campus radio station KDLX. I have to tell you that I work for the station.

I am very disturbed about the station being labeled as racist just because it does not play "Urban Contemporary." I do not see how this makes the station racist. The writer of the letter, Dervon Nash, seems to think that only a certain race of people can perform "that kind of music."

The station does not discriminate against different races of artists, but they do not play songs, no matter who performs

them, that does not fit its format.

This brings me to my next point. Mr. Nash seems to be confusing two different issues, serving the students needs and being a racist station. Everyone on this campus does not want to hear Urban Contemporary music.

If a survey was taken of students' music preference and country music or jazz was the most popular, according to Mr. Nash, the station should play that style of music to best serve the students. But also, according to Mr. Nash, the station would be racist because it does not play Urban Contemporary.

It seems that the only winning solution is to give Mr. Nash the job of programming director at the station and let him do as he likes. Sorry current X-106 listeners, the station "is here to serve the best interest of the students."

A concerned Northwest student,

Travis I. Stuckey

Music lovers urged
to 'expand horizons'

(Editor's note: This letter was written before Milli Vanilli was stripped of their Best New Artist Grammy)

Dear Editor,

I was getting my daily dose of CNN when I heard that the American Society for the Recording Arts is considering taking Milli Vanilli's 1989 Grammy away from the lip-syncing bums.

Come to find out not only did

they lip-sync in performance but to someone else's voices.

We've been buying it for a long time, since Dick Clark started showcasing our rock'n'roll heroes lip-syncing their current hits and the emergence of disco. Recorded music has become the mainstay of the music business. Live performances are nothing more than marketing ploys for artists to sell records and sponsors like Pepsi and Budweiser to sell products.

It's time for us all to wake up and see what's happening here. Instead of deciding for yourself what you want to hear, MTV and top 40 radio are, for the most part, deciding for you. Musician-ship and talent are no longer the deciding factor in what you hear; marketability is.

Maybe we consumers should take the time to expand our horizons a little. And I'm not talking about the purchase of Mozart's greatest hits either. I'm talking about live music -- jazz, rock, country, gospel, classical, whatever you prefer. Find some real musicians doing it live, and do it often.

After a few good experiences I guarantee that it will take the spotlight off of the lip-syncing, technology-exploiting phonies. Then you'll be more able to tell, is it live or is it a sampled, multi-track sequenced, studio-enhanced digital reproduction on Memorex tape? You owe it too yourself to find out.

David Perry
Music Education Major

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Old man winter visits First snow of season finds students bundled

by Kathy Barnes
News Editor

Winter came to the Midwest in grand style last weekend catching many people off guard with the pleasant fall temperatures, but for some students winter may have truly come for the first time.

"I couldn't believe how much snow there was," said Christi Whitten, Northwest student from Benjamin, Texas.

"There was so much in so little time, and it's not even that cold yet. I hear it gets a lot colder here," she added.

For many others, winter came without a chance for students to prepare their cars for the rough elements.

"They never think winter is coming until the first snow," Anita Shell of Shell Raymond, Standard Service said.

The local station offers 24-hour service and is an AAA automobile club.

"We had a big run on testing anti-freeze and changing snow tires Monday. We were out all day getting people out of

ditches and jump started. We probably pulled 30 to 40 cars out of ditches and did 30 jump starts," Shell said.

"Monday was minor though, it has to be colder for a longer period of time," Shell added.

Maryville received three and one-half inches of snow by 6 a.m. on Monday, with nearly twice that amount accumulating since that reading, according to the water plant.

The city's Emergency Snow Ordinance was in effect Monday. All snow routes were cleared of parked cars, including the downtown area. According to Paul Taylor, city services director, any cars left parked, downtown Monday were towed.

The number of accident reports due to the snow has been low, according to Maryville Public Safety and Campus Safety.

Dr. Terry Barnes, director of Culture of Quality, said students are reminded to call their teachers, not the Student Support Services, if they will not be in class.



I WAS SLIPPIN AND A SLIDIN-Top. The first snowfall of the year caused many drivers problems with the ice. Chris Ross was one of many drivers who Walker Body Shop Wreckers pulled out of ditches. Ross hit a small patch of ice and ended up in a ditch near the Bearcat Apartments. (Photo by Tim Todd)

LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! Above, Hideki Yoshimura, Tomono Sachiko and Atsushi Moriyama enjoy the winter weather by having a snowball fight. (Photo by Sabine Grable)

FROSTY THE SNOWMAN-Left, Tami Jamison, Tracy Fenn and Terri Irons put the finishing touches on their snowman in front of Perrin Hall after the first snowfall of the year. (Photo by Deb Karas)

Student to return after car accident

by Kathy Barnes
News Editor

Steven Shrader, 'Rudy' to friends, is planning to return to Northwest next fall after a Sept. 9 accident left him paralyzed from the chest down.

Shrader does not foresee a problem with the accessibility of Northwest for handicapped students.

"There are problems every place, but I think I will be able to get around in my chair okay," Shrader said. "I'll even get to park in handicapped legally for once."

Shrader, 21, Marshall, was released from Rusk Hospital in Columbia approximately three weeks ago, setting a record release time of six and one-half weeks for his type of injury.

Schrader suffered a broken collarbone and spinal cord injury resulting in permanent paralysis from the one-car accident near Pickering that killed Northwest student Jeffrey Miller.

"I appreciate all the cards I got while in the hospital. I even got a letter from Dean Hubbard and it wasn't even a bad one," Shrader said.

Since his release, Shrader is now an out-patient at Rusk and goes to Columbia three days a week for physical therapy.

"I work a lot on sitting balance now because I can't sit up on my own. I don't have any stomach muscles any more, but I have been lifting weights for my arms to keep their strength up. It helps me do chair transfer better," Shrader said.

The therapist also stretches his legs to keep him limber. This would help if he accidentally fell out of his chair because he could work back into the chair, Shrader said.

He also added that with the help of his therapist he can do sit ups and push ups with a cane.

"Right now, we're trying to get into a program that uses electrical stimulation. I'm going to try to attend one this winter in Miami or California," Shrader said.

Shrader will have to take a physical exam to see if there is a chance the program will work and possibly reverse the injury that has kept him in the chair.

"I have a little hope, but if it doesn't pan out I'll just have to take the cards dealt to me," he said.

When he is not busy with therapy, Shrader helps his father farm with the help of a swing transfer that friend and Northwest student Terry Knipmeyer made as an independent study. The transfer lifts him from his chair into the tractor.

Shrader drove the first week he was released with a baseball bat to push the pedals, but said now they have hand controls on his mother's car that enables him to drive.

"Most of it's in your head. It takes a while and people don't know how to react when they see you," Shrader said. "But I was back in Maryville recently and the kids pampered me. I felt like a politician shaking everyone's hand. They were really good to me."

Hudson Hall RA s sponsor 'pie in the eye' contest

by Tonya Reser
Staff Writer

Hudson Hall is sponsoring the 'RA Pie in the Eye' contest where the residents vote on their favorite resident assistant and that lucky person gets a pie in the face. The final judging will be Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Hall Director Toni Wantland and Resident Assistant Kim Clark came up with the idea. They thought this would be a good fund raiser and a nice break

The residents are asked to vote with coins. Each member of hall staff has a cup at Hudson Hall's front desk for the residents to vote in.

Wantland and Clark took photographs of the hall staff, cut out the faces and added them to the bodies of famous people that they cut out of magazines. These pictures are hanging at the front desk of Hudson Hall along side the voting cups.

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New wine dubbed 'liquid crack'

by College Press Service

A powerful new 'fortified' wine reportedly is gaining popularity among college students, prompting several national alcoholism education groups to issue warnings on campuses in recent weeks.

The wine Cisco, which some students refer to as 'liquid crack' because of its strength, is becoming a preferred drink among college students 'in some places' because it offers 'a cheap and powerful high,' said Jeffery Hon of the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency.

The group circulated letters about Cisco at the State University of New York (SUNY) College at Brockport recently, warning students of its effects.

BACCHUS International, another campus alcohol awareness group, is planning to send letters to its campus chapters to warn them of Cisco's new popularity.

Students are tempted to try the wine by packaging that makes it look like low-alcohol wine coolers, maintained Drew Hunter of BACCHUS, which is based in Denver.

"Cisco is a fortified wine product being marketed as a wine cooler," agreed Hon.

Like wine coolers, Cisco comes in 12-ounce bottles and flavors like red, peach, orange, berry and gold.

In a statement, the Canadaigua Wine Company in New York, makers of Cisco, denied it is marketing the product as a wine cooler.

"Cisco is higher-priced than low-alcohol wine coolers and is not sold in four-packs. Moreover, it is clearly labeled '20 percent alcohol by volume,' the statement says.

The company has placed another disclaimer on the bottle that 'this is not a wine cooler,' and has asked retailers to display Cisco away from wine coolers.

One bottle of Cisco is equal to five shots of vodka, enough to make a person 150 pounds or less legally drunk in every state except Georgia, Hon said.

Drinking two bottles in less than an hour could kill a person of 100 pounds or less, he asserted.

Play it again



The Jazz Ensemble Tuesday night featured a variety of songs including 'Ugly Plaid Ties'. Jeff Bishop composed the song and was featured in different saxophone solos. (Photo by Lori Shaffer)

Lab school receives letter from Gulf

by Kathy Barnes
News Editor

Second-level students at the Horace Mann Lab School received a letter from the Commanding Officer Powell A. Fraser of the USS O'Brien stationed in the Persian Gulf.

Fraser's letter thanked the students for their supportive letters written as part of the "Middle East Express" project that took flight in Lynette Tappmeyer's class.

Besides the letter, Commander Fraser included an informational pamphlet with the USS O'Brien's picture. Using the picture as a guide, Tappmeyer and her college assistants constructed a model of the USS O'Brien.

The students created 'puppet sailors' to stand guard on the deck. The students researched for information concerning ships and sailors and displayed their findings around the ship.

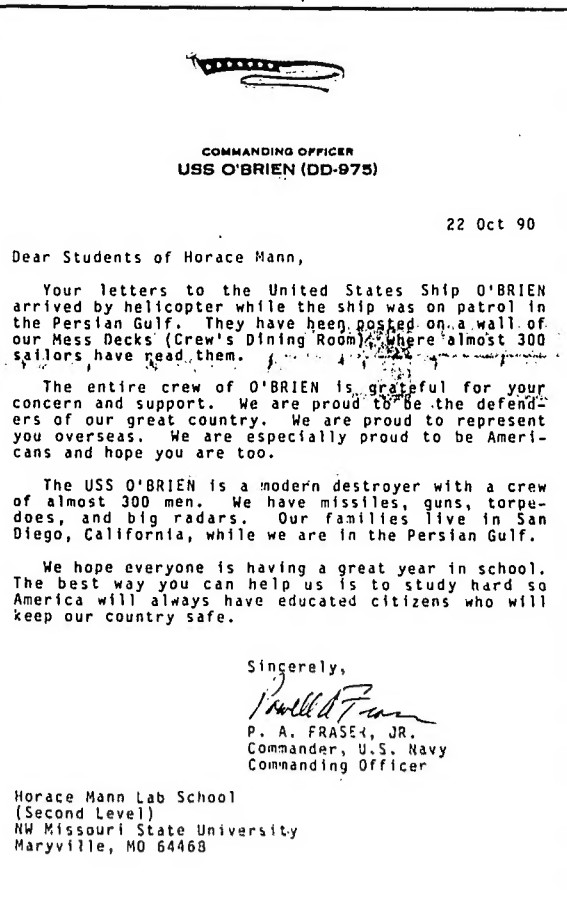
One student, Anna Talbot, shared her father's and grandfather's navy uniforms with the class.

Tappmeyer said the children will write back to the USS O'Brien's crew, and include a picture of her students surrounding their model of the ship.

Daily discussions about the Middle East Crisis among Tappmeyer's students prompted the students to become messengers of news back home for their troops.

The project began when Paula Guthrie, a parent of one of the students, told Tappmeyer she had heard news broadcasts that urged people to send mail to officers stationed in the Middle East.

Tappmeyer added that the students would continue to keep in contact with American service personnel in the Middle East.



The move to Northwest

Students petition to change residency

by Jenni Westcott
Staff Writer

While most students are complaining about the rising cost of tuition, between 135 and 150 out-of-state students are trying to cut that cost by petitioning to change their place of residency.

In order to do that a student must fall into one of three categories: adult students, unemancipated minor students and emancipated minor students, according to Pam Keyes, assistant director of enrollment management at Northwest.

"An unemancipated minor student, a student who is under 21 years of age, relies primarily on their parents as a source of income and is claimed as a dependent on their income taxes. Their only way (to change residency) is if their parents move to the state," said Keyes.

She added there is a way that an out-of-state, unemancipated student is able to get some financial relief if their parents work in the state of Missouri.

"If their parents live out of state but pay state income tax, they can get credit for the taxes that they pay. Bring in (your parent's) Missouri tax return, take it to cashing and they will deduct that from your bill," she said.

According to the Coordinating Board of Higher Education, which set state guidelines for the policies, an emancipated student is under 21, yet has become emancipated through a formal

court action, abandonment, positive action of alienation on the part of the student or marriage to a Missouri resident. They can not be claimed as a dependent by anyone other than a spouse, and be able to show intent to make Missouri their permanent home.

CBHE also defines an adult student as over 21 who is able to show that they intend to make a permanent home in Missouri.

"We treat adults and emancipated minors the same," said Keyes.

In order for someone in these groups to claim residency in Missouri, they must work in the state full-time or prove intent to remain in the state.

"It is not enough to live in the state for a year just to go to school," Keyes said.

In order for a student to change their residency status, a petition must be filed with the admissions office at least two weeks before the semester that the change will take place.

The petitions are then reviewed by the residency committee at Northwest and students are notified in writing. The Director of Admissions, Registrars Office, Financial Aid Office and Northwest treasurer will also receive notice of the change if there is one.

If a student disagrees with the committee, their decisions may be appealed to Robert Culbertson, vice president for academic affairs, and Warren Gose, vice president for finance.

Theatre department stages production of 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'

The holiday season continues at Northwest with the annual children's Christmas production as staged by the department of theatre.

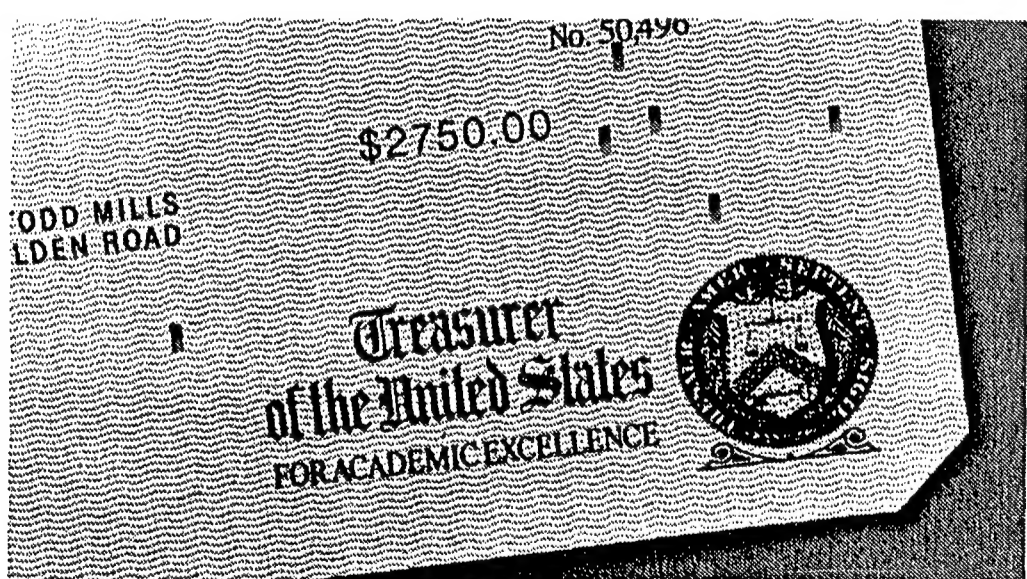
"The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" will be performed Friday through Sunday in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building. The children's show will be presented at 7 p.m. on Friday Dec. 7 and Saturday Dec. 8, with a 2 p.m. matinee scheduled for Sunday Dec. 9.

Donations will be accepted at the door, with all proceeds going

to the Maryville Daily Forum Christmas Fund.

The classic tale by C.S. Lewis tells of the adventures of four children as they travel through the back of the wardrobe into a mystical land. Through their friends, Mr. Tumnus and Mr. Mrs. Beaver, they learn that this land is under the spell of the White Witch, who always makes it winter and never Christmas. With the help of Aslan, the mighty lion, the children must do battle with the witch to try to save the land from the witch's evil.

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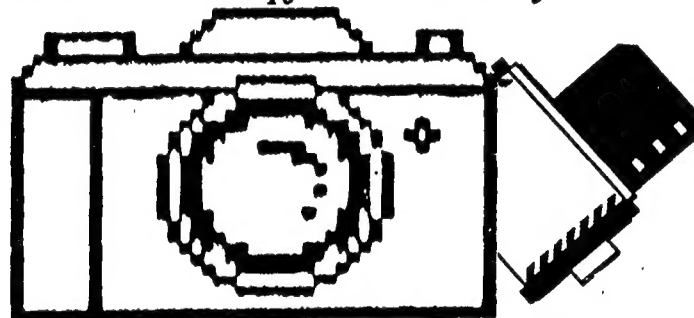
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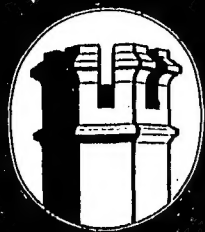
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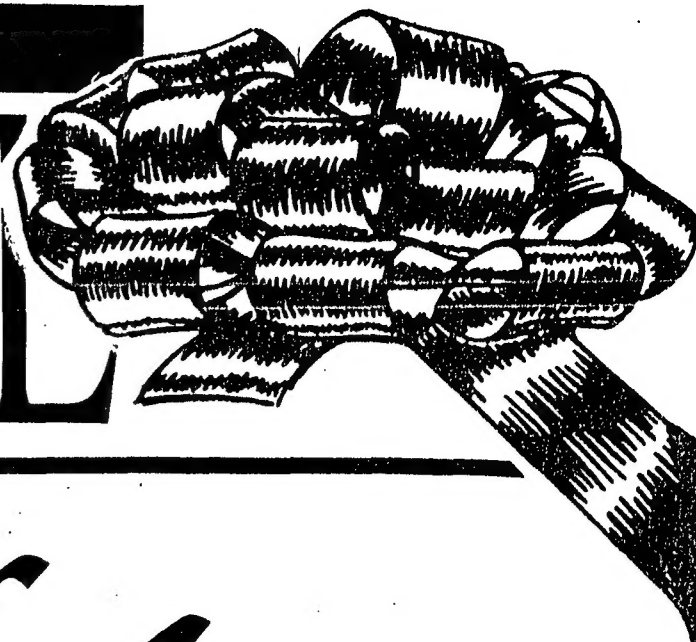
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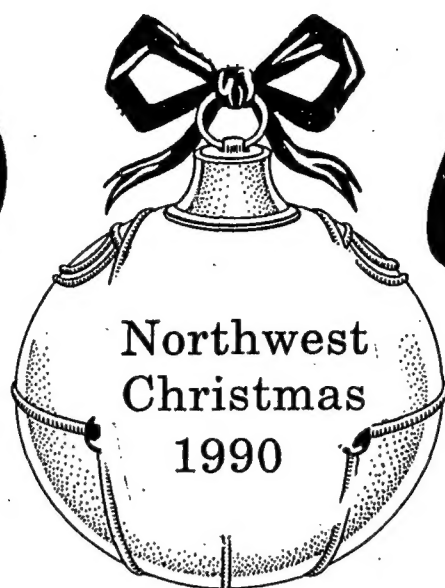
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Christmas Celebration



Christmas — a time of family get-togethers, holiday hams and warm cozy fires. Christmas is also a time for traditions, both old and new.

According to the book "Towers in the Northwest", in the '50s a Christmas tradition held at Northwest was known as "Hanging of the Greens." Along with this tradition a senior co-ed was selected as Spirit of Christmas.

Towers in the Northwest explains Hanging of the Greens as an annual event held by the Residence Hall women. "The event included a procession, carol singing and dancing. Also included was an explanation of the traditions of the yule log, evergreen, mistletoe and lighted candles in windows at Christmas."

Holiday traditions can still be seen in residence halls, fraternity houses and campus offices.

"We've already put up our Christmas lights on the house," Tau Kappa Epsilon member Thom Rossmanith said. "In a few days we are going to get a tree and next week we plan to go caroling around the neighborhood and both nursing homes in Maryville."

Rossmanith said the TKEs were also planning a Christmas dance.

Horace Mann Lab school is planning a winter program. The traditional winter music program is presented by the early childhood (pre-school) students as well as the Horace Mann students. The fifth and sixth grade band students will also perform. Horace Mann students also decorated a tree on Wednesday, Dec. 5.

Dr. Arnold Lindamann, assistant professor and director at Horace Mann, said he hopes to implement a program either this year or next year where the students could donate canned or dried goods to the needy.

"Giving...that's the true meaning of Christmas," Lindamann said.

Kristine Hilleman, resident assistant in Franken Hall, said the three women's floors will be Christmas caroling at a nursing home in Maryville.

"We have also decorated a Christmas tree as well as the lounge," she said.

Hilleman said the seventh floor in Franken was having a St. Nick's tradition.

"This is where a shoe is left outside the door and St. Nick comes and leaves fruits and nuts in the shoes," she said.

Many of the residence halls are having a door decorating contest.

Deina Menke, historian and Millikan Hall Council member said, "for the past three years Millikan Hall's goal has been to promote family spirit."

"Millikan hall also has a Christmas tree decorating party as well as a door decorating contest," she added. "The decorating will be judged on best Christmas spirit as well as creativity."

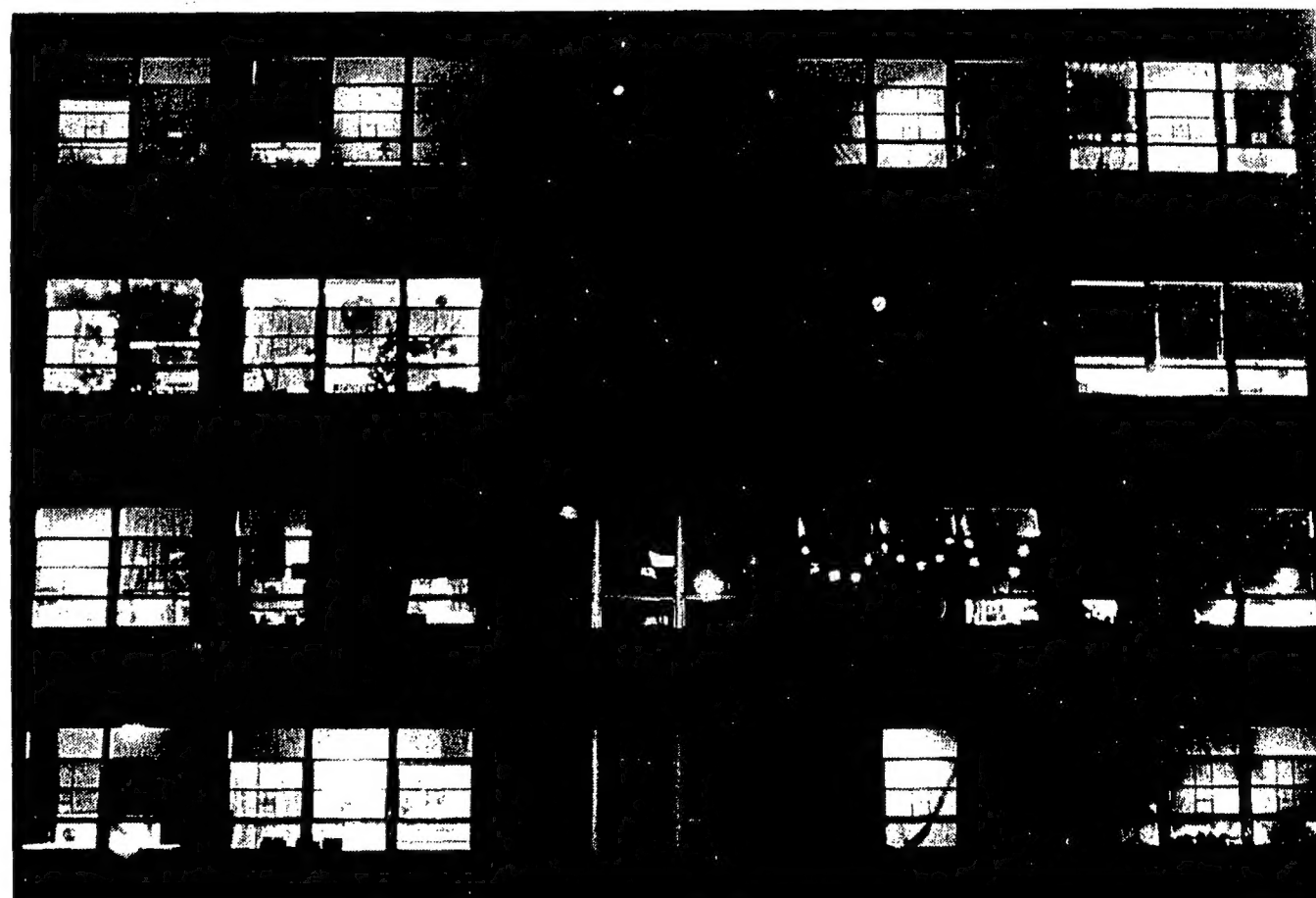
Many sororities will have a "secret Santa". Jennifer Schuyler, social chairman of Phi Mu, explained this is where members draw names and receive gifts all week from a secret Santa.

Kelly Zimmerman of North Complex said each floor there would be decorating with a theme. "The first floor has already started."

A Christmas tree lighting will also be held in the main lobby of North Complex, she said.

No matter what the fraternity, sorority, residence hall, office, age or religion, the spirit of love and giving glows as bright and colorful as the lights on the holiday tree by the Union.

by Pat Schurkamp
Features Editor



ALL A GLOW—Many Northwest students light up the night with decorations reflecting their Christmas spirit. The TEK house had their lights on Nov. 28, and several students in Perrin Hall decorated their windows this week. (Photos by Brandon Russell)

Twelve Days of Christmas

on a Northwest budget

by Judy Green
Staff Writer

As I was making my journey back to the arctic tundra Sunday, I tuned the stereo in to a station that gave the total price of the merchandise in the popular Christmas song "The Twelve Days of Christmas." The DJ said the grand total was \$15,231.72, and it started me thinking that, if a romantic did exist on this campus, that was quite a high price to pay for love.

So I decided to compile a list that could be a more likely goal to achieve on a college student's budget. Happy shopping and Merry Christmas.

The Christmas begins with a partridge in a pear tree. There is a lack of partridges on campus, not to mention pear trees, but the amount of ground squirrels is quite plentiful. So, grab a net and something to store the little buggers in. Pick up three while you're at it because the two turtle doves cannot be found at this time, either. If time allows, I would suggest sewing some cutesy little costumes for them. Your love bud won't know the difference and material would probably only run around \$5.

This brings our happy little song to the three French hens. Channing Horner teaches a French class that meets five days a week. I don't know how welcome three hens would be in his class, but sometimes, if you watch the Penny Press

newspaper, people sell the things for \$1 a piece. Work something out with Mr. Horner and let your fine-feathered friends put his teaching abilities to the test. Now that brings the total to \$258.00. Or, if you are not a resident of Missouri, at \$90.50 per credit hour, your total is \$460.50.

The calling birds are not hard to come by at all, if you use a little ingenuity. Everyone gets an authorization code free. The legal system doesn't look out for those pesky sparrows. Get out that net and fetch four of them and get them a code of their very own. Be sure that they keep paying their payments on their bill because it costs \$10.00 to reactivate it.

The five golden rings takes a little imagination on your loved one's part, but on a good day, the folks at the Grille would give you 10 onion rings. Now, you can share the fun with a friend and split the cost of an order, bringing your total to \$258.75 or \$461.25.

This brings us to the six geese a-laying. Once again, if you consult the Penny Press, people are letting them go at close to nothing, about \$5 a piece. You are truly a bargain hunter. Your total is \$288.75 or \$491.25.

The University offers several swimming courses and some students have proven to be quite graceful in their swimming attempts. So graceful, in fact, they look as if

they are swans a-swimming. Just take your little honey to Martindale Gym to see those students in all their swimming glory. This costs you nothing.

I called the agricultural department about the maids a-milking. I think they thought I was pulling a prank on them because they hung up, but I'm sure if you explain your situation, they will be glad to work with you.

The ladies dancing and the lords a-leaping can be found in any dance course, and since lords tend to take the class with the thought in mind that they will meet ladies, there will no doubt be at least a nine-ladies-to-10-lords ratio. Your cost, again depending on your state residence, is now \$308.25 or \$511.25.

The Bearcat Pep Band can be found performing at most home basketball games. This will cover the pipers and the drummers found in verses 11 and 12 of our fun little Yuletide carol. And with a valid I.D., this is also quite a bargain for you and the one you love.

So you see, romance need not be expensive. If that special someone loves you for your creative ways and has some spare acreage at home for all the new livestock you have bestowed upon them, your 12 Days of Christmas gifts can be purchased for a mere \$310.25, or for out of state students, \$513.25.

Well, you were at least going to buy a \$2 card weren't you?

A special talent...

Writer uses Python, Shakespeare and Beatles to create Feaste

by Laura Pierson
Editor in Chief

What do you get when you cross Monty Python, William Shakespeare and the Beatles? If you are Joel Anderson, you come up with the new script for the annual Yuletide Feaste.

"They said make it funny and make it ludicrous," he explained.

Anderson, a senior English major from Carol Stream, Ill., was asked to write the script by former feaste writers Kathy Pace and Dave Kramer.

"Dave and I wrote the feaste for three years and have found it a monumental task," Pace said. "We decided to ask Joel to write the feaste because he's very witty and he's a good writer."

Like a Renaissance scientist experimenting in a dreary dungeon, Anderson pounded out the script on a typewriter from his dimly lit basement apartment.

The action centers on a 16th century English king and his court celebrating Christmas.

Kramer said Anderson took a different approach to the feaste by adding more modern things, yet keeping the old English ambience.

Anderson said, "Kathy gave me an overview of what they did in the past, and I just took that and modified it a little bit with my own sick sense of humor."

His modifications include some of the characters entertaining the king by performing a play written by 7-year-old Billy Shakespeare and a rap song by Beatles John, Paul, George and Ringo.



YULE LOVE IT—Joel Anderson is this year's author of the Yuletide Madrigal Feast. Anderson, a senior English major from Carol Stream, Illinois, centered the play around the 16th century king and his court. (Photo by Tim Todd)

Anderson is an avid music lover and lists the Beatles and Sting among his favorites. He also likes baseball and books.

"Obviously, I like to read," he said, pointing to a bookshelf lined with works by William Shakespeare, Walt Whitman, C.S. Lewis and Percy Bysshe Shelley, among others.

Last year he took up the guitar, which he plays at his weekly Bible study. Anderson is president of the Christian Campus House.

Christianity is an important aspect in Anderson's life.

"My biggest interest, even more than English literature, is probably the whole study of religion and studying Biblical theology," he said.

Upon completing his bachelor of science degree in May, 1991, Anderson would like to return to Illinois and work on a master's in theology.

Next semester he will be student teaching at Maryville High School. Anderson has a definite philosophy when it comes to teaching English.

"I think it's stupid to read a poem or novel because it's a cool story," he said. "If there's nothing you can feed off from it or you can use in your own life, I think it's pretty pointless to teach it."

Anderson sees more writing in his future.

"I have a lot of ideas," he said. "Once I decide to do them, I'll get them done."



COWABUNGA DUDE!—Jennifer Miller and Andrea Lee are checking out Raphael, one of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, as the latest Christmas fad toy. Wal-Mart carries a wide variety of Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. According to the Colpy News Service, dolls will be among the top sellers since there are many to choose from. The days when a doll was just material with stuffing are gone. Today's models are very realistic with one doll that actually shivers when she is undressed. Other dolls even come with special color change diapers that can be cleaned by dipping them in water. (Photo by Vicki Meier)

Christmas brings gifts, food and family

by Michelle Larison
University Editor

Each year Christmas etches itself in peoples' minds with memories of the most popular gifts to give and get as well as favorite ways to celebrate the holiday. There are many things people will be able to look back and remember about Christmas this year so don't forget the Camcorder to record them all.

Whether it's the Simpsons, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles or Nintendo, television characters and electronic games are hot on the market. According to Copley News Service, dolls will be among the top sellers since there are many to choose from.

The days when a doll was just material with stuffing are gone. Today the most popular dolls are Tyco's Baby Shivers, who realisti-

cally shivers when she is undressed and Hasbro's Baby Uh-Oh who "dirties" special color-change diapers that can be "cleaned" by dipping them in water.

The one expected to be a top seller is one that tries to teach children real parenting skills. Cheerful Tearful randomly and spontaneously chooses to cry, coo, laugh, burp or wet her diaper.

"Toys" for adults include electronics, board games and stress reduction remedies. But, according to Dear Abby, there are many adult gifts that don't have to be expensive to be popular or practical.

A thoughtful gift, according to Abby, would be postcards, lined stationery or an assortment of cards. Others would be a basket full of goodies or gift certificates for things such as barber shops, taxi rides, music or restaurant dining.

Undesirable gifts include pets, wine or liquor and clothes due to different preferences unless you know specifically what the person likes.

Cathi Peter, an employee in Maryville Pamida's toy department, reports the biggest selling items are Ninja Turtles, anything from the Little Tykes brand such as picnic tables, kitchen sets and Tonka Toys. Adult best-sellers at Pamida are radar detectors, appliances, VCRs and TVs. Wal-Mart credits snowboards as their biggest selling sporting goods item.

Food plays a big part in most Christmas celebrations, usually with turkey or ham for the main course. With today's health conscious consumer, some Christmas shopping can be done within your local supermarket with favorites such as deli meats, fruit baskets and non-perishable items. For those

on your Christmas list who are watching their figure, a suggestion would be putting together a basket of healthy, lo-cal food.

Family celebrations usually center around tradition, whether a house full of guests or intimate dinner with family.

"We're flying my brother in from Texas for Christmas," said Pam Wise, senior. "It's been more than 10 years since we've all been together. That will make it a special Christmas."

Northwest junior Scott Vater said, "We have the usual family Christmas celebration, usually one get-together with close family and then another with the whole family when we have a big dinner. Both are nice I guess, but I'm glad it only happens once a year."

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Rights end when shoplifting starts

by Pat Schurkamp
Features Editor

For the first time in my life I was arrested. The charge — larceny under \$100.

On Monday night I casually walked in to the Maryville Hy-Vee store and began to pick up items that I knew I had no intention of paying for.

With each item I placed in my large canvas bag, I felt more nervous and more guilty. I found myself quickly dodging around corners trying to out-fox the store employees. I was constantly taking glances behind myself to see if anyone was watching me.

Throwing a \$10 ham into my bag, I ducked around the corner and grabbed a handful of \$20-30 movie videos.

At one point in my frenzied shoplifting spree a female customer and I made eye contact. She watched as I throw several large boxes of Tylenol in my canvas bag.

She gave me a look acknowledging that she knew I had illegally taken the medicine. Caught.

But, after several minutes I realized she had no intention of telling anyone. She was willing to allow me to continue my rapping of the store.

Finally after having filled my bag I walked out the front door. Did I make it? Was I able to avoid being caught by any of the employees?

"Maam," I heard the voice calling from behind me.

My heart raised into my throat. What should I do — run, keep walking or just simply turn around and face what I knew was coming next.

"Maam," he called out again. It was the Assistant Manager Pat Ohlerking and Shift Manager Mark Renfro.

"Do you have a receipt for those items?" Ohlerking asked.

There was no turning back.

Too humiliated to look them in the eye, I lowered my head and replied "no."

Ohlerking and Renfro asked that I come back into the store with them. Ohlerking immediately called Public Safety and said, "We have a shoplifter."

I had lost all my identity. No longer was I a writer, a student, a wife or mother — I was a criminal.

By now I was shaking externally as well as internally. The anticipated arrival of the Public Safety officer and the constant vigil by Ohlerking, Renfro and Dorothy Fisher, Hy-Vee courtesy/clerk, only added to my fear of the unknown.

While waiting for the officer, Ohlerking asked me for my name and address.

"Do I have to give that to you?" I asked.

"I'll just get it from the officer," Ohlerking said.

After giving him the information I asked him why he needed it.

"If I ever see you in here again, I will have you arrested for trespassing," he said.

Banned. Never again could I walk back into Hy-Vee. Not even to simply purchase a loaf of bread or a gallon of milk.

Ohlerking made no further comments to me. In fact, he along with Fisher completely ignored my existence.

Even though they remained in the room, the silence caused me to feel completely alone with nowhere to turn.

Once Public Safety Officer Terry White arrived he asked for my identification. He then asked Ohlerking and Renfro what had happened.

A tally was taken of all the things I had stolen. The grand total was \$93 — only \$57 away from a felony.

White asked me to stand up and said, "You are under arrest for larceny under \$100. Place your hands behind your back."

Knowing I would have to walk past every check-out aisle in the store, I asked White if he could place the handcuffs on me after we went outside. His answer — no.

As the cold steel clicked around my wrist the first real tears fell against my cheeks.

The sharp metal cuffs tightened as White locked them onto my wrists.

"Don't fight the cuffs and they won't cut into you as bad," White said.

But nothing could cut away the shame and fear I felt.

Although I could not bear to look at the customers and clerks in the store, I could still feel their eyes turning to look and hear their hushed whispers.



(Photo Illustration by Todd Weddle)

The embarrassment and degradation of having strangers, as well as people I knew, know that I was being arrested was more than I could stand.

I wondered how I could ever explain this to my children, my husband, my friends?

I wanted this to be over. I was not sure if I could go on with the process of having a mug shot taken or being fingerprinted.

White placed me in the squad car. I was not told where I was going or what would happen next.

When White and I arrived at the Maryville Public Safety building, he asked a female dispatcher to search me.

While I was still in handcuffs, she pulled my coat down over my shoulders and began to pat my sides and down my legs. Again, tears filled my eyes. I felt ashamed and dirty.

White took me into the booking room and read the Miranda rights to me, making sure I understood each right allotted to me. He then asked me to empty my wallet. As

he went through each paper, each card and each photo I knew how it felt to have something important taken from you.

Inside myself I was yelling, "Leave that alone. It belongs to me. Don't touch my children's pictures."

But I knew I no longer had that right. My rights ended when the shoplifting started.

After White finished going through my wallet he told me that bond was set at \$167. "Do you have \$167?" he asked.

Not being able to afford make bail meant I would have to be taken to the county jail until someone could bring the money to me or until my court date.

After making my call for help, the handcuffs were again placed around my wrist and I was escorted out to the squad car for a final ride to jail.

Editor's note: The manager of Hy-Vee agreed to let Schurkamp shoplift so she could experience the humiliation of being arrested for larceny. No other employees were aware of the set-up. Although Keith Woods was aware of the set-up, the arresting officer was not. No charges were filed.

Consumers pay the high price of shoplifting

by Jodi Leseberg
Assistant Features Editor

Billions of dollars in merchandise are lost each year as shoplifters continue to steal, and consumers are paying for the loss.

According to the National Retail Merchants Association, the loss may be as much as \$1.5 billion annually.

As five-finger discount shoppers lift items from the shelves, retail prices soar, compensating for lost dollars.

Whether shoplifting is an addiction or done for thrills, it knows no social boundaries.

According to Pat Ohlerking, assistant manager at Maryville Hy-Vee, shoplifters justify their actions with thoughts like, "The stores already make enough money, what I take won't hurt them." However, Ohlerking said otherwise. "Anytime there is a loss of any sort it has a direct bearing on all of us. It comes out of all of our pockets, mine, the employee's and also the consumer's pocket," he said.

Others justify shoplifting by claiming they do not have the money to purchase items. Buying gifts during the holidays may put pressure on individuals to shoplift items they can not afford to buy. However, Dr. George Lawrence, director of the Guidance Center at Northwest, said that the person has to live with the guilt of giving a stolen item as a gift to a loved one.

For some people, shoplifting is a game. According to Lawrence, "It not unusual for an adolescent to try it; it's like testing the limits."

According to Lawrence, shoplifters who feel shame and remorse for their behavior, can benefit from psychotherapy. However, persons who are anti-social and deviate from the rules of society are difficult to help.

"They usually end up in the legal system versus the psychology system," said Lawrence.

He added, if you have a friend whom you suspect of shoplifting, tell them "I know what you are doing." If they act guilty or remorseful, tell them "I care about you, and you can change."

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But this recent offer was even better. This was an offer to sell me MY OWN CREDIT RATING. Yes. One of the great benefits of living in America is that, regardless of your race or religion or hygiene habits, you are entitled to have a credit rating maintained by large corporations with powerful computers that know EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU. For example, let's say that this morning you deposited your paycheck at the bank, made a phone call, wrote a check for your electric bill and charged some gasoline on your credit card. By this afternoon, thanks to high-speed laser fiberoptic data transmission, the computers will know EVERY SEXUAL FANTASY YOU HAD while you were doing these things. And don't think they keep it to themselves, either. They are as human as the next person. They go to computer parties, they have a few too many diskettes, and the next thing you know they're revealing your intimate secrets at the rate of four billion per second.

That's why I was so excited about this offer from my credit-card company to sell me the TRW CREDENTIALS service. TRW is a large company that collects credit infor-

mation about people and sells it. According to the TRW CREDENTIALS offer, if I give them \$20 a year, they'll let me see my information.

The offer states: "Financial experts recommend that you carefully review your credit report TWICE A YEAR to check its information and make certain that it is accurate."

In other words -- correct me if I am wrong here -- they're telling me that I should give them \$20 a year so I can look at the information ABOUT ME that they collected WITHOUT MY PERMISSION and have been selling for years to GOD ALONE KNOWS WHO so I can see if it's INCORRECT.

Which it very well could be. Because even with computers, things sometimes go wrong. I know you find this hard to believe, inasmuch as we live in such a competent nation, a nation capable of producing technological wonders such as the Hubble Orbiting Space Telescope, the only orbiting telescope in the universe equipped with dark glasses and a cane. But sometimes mistakes do get made, and they could affect your credit.

For example, just recently we got a phone call at home, at night, from a woman from a collection agency. She said we'd be in big trouble if we didn't turn over four cable-TV boxes, which she said we had failed to return to the cable company when we moved a year ago. I explained that, (1) it was only two boxes, and (2) we had made three appointments with the cable company to get them, but nobody ever showed up, and (3) we would love to get rid of them, and (4) maybe SHE could get the cable company to come get them. The woman said, basically, that it was too late for that, because this matter had been turned over to a COLLECTION AGENCY, which is apparently several levels above the U.S. Supreme Court, and we better hand over four cable boxes or this would go on our Permanent Credit

Record.

So I called up the cable company, and joined the millions of Americans on hold, waiting to talk to one of the nation's estimated four cable-company service representatives, two of whom are on break. Future generations, when they look at formal family portraits from this era, will say, "There's Aunt Martha, who was a teacher, and the man holding the phone receiver to his ear is Uncle Bob, who was on hold to the cable company."

Finally, miraculously, I got through, and even more miraculously, they came out and got our boxes. And I was feeling very good about America until the collection-agency woman called again, at night, to inform me that we'd be in big trouble if we didn't turn over the boxes. All four of them.

So I don't know what our credit record says. I wouldn't be surprised if it holds us largely to blame for the savings-and-loan scandal. So I'm definitely interested in the TRW CREDENTIALS offer.

However, I don't like to do business with an outfit unless I know something about it. So I've decided to develop a file on TRW. I'd certainly appreciate anything you can contribute. But I don't want any wild speculative unfounded rumors, such as:

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I'm sure we can work something out.

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Of mice and men; Search for furry creature proves hazardous



From Left Field by Don Carrick

The things that normally scare us seem so very small. We're afraid of spiders, snakes and various rodents even though we tower above them. Have you ever seen a rat build a nuclear device? I didn't think so. So why is it that we scream and run in fear every time one of these crawling, slithering, disgusting things enter our sight? I'm not sure, but I ran like I was trying out for the Olympics when I saw my first mouse last Thursday night.

I was over at a friend's house when this incident occurred. I was sitting next to this girl when I happened to look down by her hand. Now I have seen rats before, (in fact, I've seen a New York rat, the kind that comes up to you and says, "Hey you, give me a \$#@%* quarter or I'll bite your penny loafers!") but never a mouse. Of course, being the man that I am, I yelled, "OH MY GOD, IT'S A MOUSE!", at the top of my lungs. The mouse's reaction to this was to run behind me and begin to crawl up my shirt, something I didn't feel or see. Now my friend, who has

been known to play a joke or two in his time, sees this and tries to tell me. The conversation went something like this.

Him: Don, the mouse just ran up the back of your shirt!

Me: Do you think I'm stupid?

Him: Yes, but that doesn't change the fact that the mouse just ran up the back of your shirt.

Me: You expect me to believe that?

Him: Well, if you get rabies don't come foaming to me.

Finally, I took his word for it and got up which caused the mouse to fall out and scurry across the floor. We saw him again later running into our friend's bedroom. The three men in the house decided to go in and capture him. After a small argument and some name-calling, I agreed to go with them.

We closed the door and started the search for the four-legged disease carrier. Suddenly, one of us flushed him out and the chase was on.

I don't remember much about the next 30 minutes, but the girls outside the door filled me in on the details as we were being wheeled out on stretchers. They said that they heard us throwing things about in a vain attempt to uncover the

mouse; they heard us shrieking in pain as we trampled over each other to get away from him once he was found; and finally, they heard our cheers as we captured the furry little monster. When the door was opened, we were all found unconscious from our injuries. The girls saw the mouse in the make-shift cage we had caught him in and decided he was cute. One of them named him Furball and now he's living at her house, eating better than I am, and I believe she's thinking about getting him one of those tubular play sets to run around in.

The next day I was sitting at home, nursing my wounds from what we survivors now call, "The Great Mouse Hunt of 1990", when I saw a commercial on television. It stated that for every mouse you see in your home, there may be up to 15 that you don't see. "15!" I shouted, "15 mice in my poor friend's house! I'd better call over there!"

I raced to the phone. I was about to dial his number when I thought, "Do I really want to go through what happened last night 15 times!"

I quickly put the phone down and decided that my friend's Christmas present would have to be a load of mouse traps.

Events

December 6, 1990
Ballet Iowa's "The Nutcracker"
Mary Linn PAC - 7:30 p.m.
Charles Boyd senior recital
Charles Johnson - 6:30 p.m.
Pre-Law Club meeting
Colden Hall 241
IFC Meeting
Northwest Room - 4:30 p.m.
Panhellenic Council Meeting
Stockman Room - 4:30 p.m.
BSU Bible Study
BSU - 8:30 p.m.
Rodeo Club meeting
2nd Floor Ad. Building
December 7, 1990
GED, Cat & Mat tests
Wells Hall 120 - 8:15 a.m.
ISO Meeting
Third Floor Union - 7 p.m.
Children's Christmas Play
Charles Johnson - 7 p.m.
Yuletide Feast
Union Ballroom - 6:30 p.m.
Kitten bball vs. South Dakota
Lamkin Gym - 7:30 p.m.
Faculty/Staff Registration
Registrar's Office - 9 a.m.
December 8, 1990
ACT - Colden Hall 228 - 8 a.m.
Art Dept. Art Show and Sale
Fine Arts Bldg. - 7:30 a.m.

Children's Christmas Play
Charles Johnson 7 p.m.
Yuletide Feast
Union Ballroom - 6:30 p.m.
Kitten basketball vs. UNO
Lamkin Gym - 7:30 p.m.
Bearcat basketball - KState
December 9, 1990
Children's Christmas Play
Charles Johnson - 2 p.m.
Bearcat Marching Band @ Chiefs
Arrowhead Stadium - 3 p.m.
Dollar Supper
Lutheran Campus Center - 6 p.m.
Catholic Mass
University Club N - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Supper
Wesley Center - 5 p.m.
December 10, 1990
Co-Rec 2 on 2 Basketball entries
Campus Rec Office - 3 p.m.
Faculty/Staff Registration
Registrar's Office - 9 a.m.
Pi Beta Alpha Meeting
Governor's Room - 5 p.m.
Delta Chi Meeting
Governor's Room - 7 p.m.

ABC Meeting
Stockman Room - 7 p.m.
TKE Meeting
Northwest Room - 5:30 p.m.
Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting
University Club N - 6:30 p.m.
CAPS Meeting
Northwest Room - 4:30 p.m.
PRSSA Meeting
Wells Hall 141 - 4:30 p.m.
December 11, 1990
Wind Ensemble concert
Mary Linn PAC - 8 p.m.
Kitten basketball - Augustana
Support Staff Council Meeting
Stockman Room - 10 a.m.
Faculty/Staff Registration
Registrar's Office - 9 a.m.
Student Senate Meeting
East Ballroom - 7 p.m.
Amnesty International Mtg.
Regents Room - 5 p.m.
Sigma Society Meeting
Brown Hall 253A - 5:30 p.m.
Circle K Meeting
West Colonial Rm. - 3:30 p.m.
Bible Study
Christ Way Inn - 7 p.m.
December 12, 1990
Faculty/Staff Registration
Registrar's Office - 9 a.m.



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Finals Week

December 13 - Classwork Ends

December 14
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Speech 102 - 10 a.m.
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Government 102 - 3:30 p.m.
9 a.m. Tuesday classes - 7 p.m.

December 18
Chem 113, 115, 117 - 7:30 a.m.
Physical Science 103 - 7:30 a.m.
8 a.m. Monday classes - 10 a.m.
Biology 102 - 3:30 p.m.
Noon Tuesday classes - 7 p.m.

December 15
History 155 - 7:30 a.m.
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December 19
10 a.m. Tuesday classes - 7:30 a.m.
4 p.m. Monday classes - 10 a.m.
2 p.m. Tuesday classes - 1 p.m.
4 p.m. Tuesday classes - 3:30 p.m.
SEMESTER ENDS

December 17
1 p.m. Tuesday classes - 7:30 a.m.
Computer Science 130 - 10 a.m.
Noon Monday classes - 1 p.m.
10 a.m. Monday classes - 3:30 p.m.
3 p.m. Tuesday classes





AROUND the tower

Band returns to Chiefs' stadium

An encore performance is on tap for the Bearcat Marching Band.

The Kansas City Chiefs' organization was so impressed with the "Pride of the Northwest," that the marching band has been invited back to the next Chiefs home game. Earlier this year, the group performed during the halftime of the Chiefs and San Diego game.

This time the band will perform during the Chiefs' game against the Denver Broncos on Sunday, Dec. 9. They will not be featured during halftime, but they will perform throughout the first and second halves in the stands.

Honor Society holds initiation

Northwest's chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an honor society in education, has held fall initiation ceremonies and inducted 96 University students majoring in education.

Kappa Delta Pi, founded in 1911 at the University of Illinois, encourages excellence in scholarship and high personal standards toward improvement in teacher preparation.

Individuals are invited to become members of the Society by vote of the chapter because of high achievement and an exhibited professional attitude which will enable them to grow in the field of education.

Cookies sent to Saudi Arabia

Northwest's Student Senate and the school's University Dining Services have combined forces to provide a tasteful holiday greeting to some of the United States ground troops now stationed in Saudi Arabia.

With ingredients and baking skills provided by Dining Services under the direction of Jerry Throener and packing methods and postage provided by Student Senate, the cooperative gift sent Monday, Dec. 3, consisted of 30 dozen cookies.

The troops will be munching on sugar, oatmeal/raisin, and peanut butter cookies.

PRSSA selected for contest

The Northwest Public Relations Student Society of America Chapter (PRSSA) is one of the top 25 chapters in the nation selected to implement a promotional campaign contest co-sponsored by Warner-Lambert, makers of Shick razors and Buson-Martseller, an international communications counseling firm.

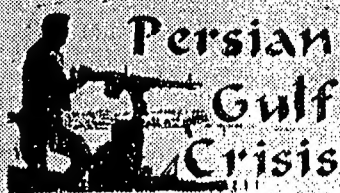
The Northwest PRSSA team coordinated a proposal for a promotional campaign designed to target Maryville and surrounding towns. Their 20-page proposal contained reasons why Maryville should be chosen as a test market city for a new product innovation of Shick, which will be out in March.

Periodicals unavailable for six weeks

Owens Library will be sending many periodicals and reference materials to the bindery on Friday, Dec. 14. They will not be available for use for approximately six weeks. The library asks that all research be done by Thursday, Dec. 13.

This is not going to go on forever'

Bush doubts sanctions will force Hussein from Kuwait



President George Bush expressed doubts this week that the United Nations economic and military sanctions would force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

"I've not been one who has been convinced that sanctions alone will bring him to his senses," the president said. "The best chance for peace is for him to understand that all means - all means - necessary... will be used against him. This is not going to go on forever."

The sanctions are the centerpiece of the international effort to bring the 4-month-old occupation to an end, short of warfare. Others in the Bush administration had expressed that the sanctions would be insufficient, but the president himself had not made any doubts publicly known in the past.

The House Democrats, on a vote of 177-37, adopted a policy statement late Tuesday declaring that President Bush should take no military action against Iraq without prior approval from Congress. "Except to protect American lives from imminent danger."

Earlier, former Defense Secretary Robert McNamara urged that President Bush heed a lesson from Vietnam and not go to a war without prior public approval.

Asked to compare the situation with Vietnam, McNamara said, "I do not believe the president should, and I do not believe he will, initiate action without the approval of the American people expressed by the approval of the Congress."

"If we carry on sanctions for 12 to 18 months, there's no question we risk fracturing the unity of the international coalition," lined up against Iraq, he said.

"But I can tell you, it's hardly a risk, it's almost a certainty, that if we undertake military action there will be a fracture of the unity. It is a far lesser risk than the loss of thousands of American lives."

According to a British report late Tuesday, Iraq may be ready to withdraw from most of Kuwait as long as it is allowed to keep the disputed oil field that crosses two miles into Kuwaiti territory.

The rumors fanned speculation that the Persian Gulf crisis could be resolved without bloodshed.

British and U.S. officials said they have heard nothing of such a proposal.

The report also pushed the price of crude oil below the \$30 per barrel mark analysts said.

(compiled from *The Kansas City Star*)

New Student Ambassadors named

Ten Northwest students have been selected as Student Ambassadors beginning in the spring semester.

Student Ambassadors work in the Office of Admissions. The group is heavily involved with campus activities such as the freshmen orientation program, Family Day and high school senior day.

Members of the group also perform other student recruitment functions for the office, including conducting campus tours for prospective students.

The new Student Ambassadors include: Jeff Barrington, Joel Blum, Paul Forney, Beth McDonald, Meghan O' Riley, Gary Pilgram, Steve Rhodes, Stephanie Taylor and Lisa Whiteing.

Farmer receives award

Dale Toedebusch, a Wright City farmer who last spring completed a two-year farm operations program at Northwest, has been honored by the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation in Cleveland, Ohio.

Toedebusch received a Merit Award from the Foundation for his welded steel construction of a 10' box scraper he made while a student at Northwest. He constructed the apparatus in a class taught by Dr. Mervin Bettis, associate professor of agriculture.

Art sale held this weekend

Christmas shoppers should take note of this weekend's art sale on Northwest's campus.

The annual Art Club Show and Sale will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 8, in the Olive Deluce Fine Arts Building lobby.

Artwork will be displayed by current students, alumni and department of art faculty members. Some, but not all of the works will be for sale by the individual.



AROUND the world

Jets collide in Detroit

Eight people were killed as one Northwest Airlines jet strayed into the path of another that was going towards takeoff. The two collided in the heavy fog at Metro Airport in Detroit on Monday.

The eight dead were all aboard Northwest Flight 1482, a DC-9 bound for Pittsburgh that caught fire after the crash. The pilot may have missed a turn for the taxiway that runs parallel to the runway where the crash occurred.

Flight 1482 ended up on Runway 3-C and collided with Northwest Flight 229, a Boeing 727-200, that was lifting its nose into the air headed for Memphis, Tenn.

Andes rocked by tremors

Two tremors measuring 4.3 and 4.2 on the richter scale shook parts of the central Andes on Tuesday.

Mateo Casaverde, chief of the Geophysical Institute, said the first tremor was centered in the mountainous Cerro do Pasco regions and the second in the department of Lima 80 miles southeast of the capital.

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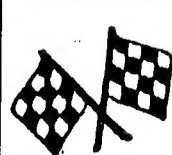
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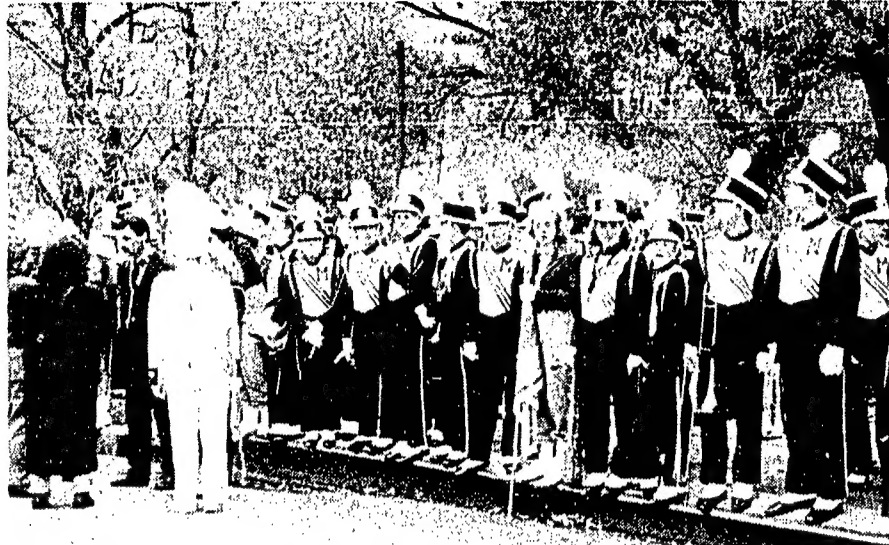
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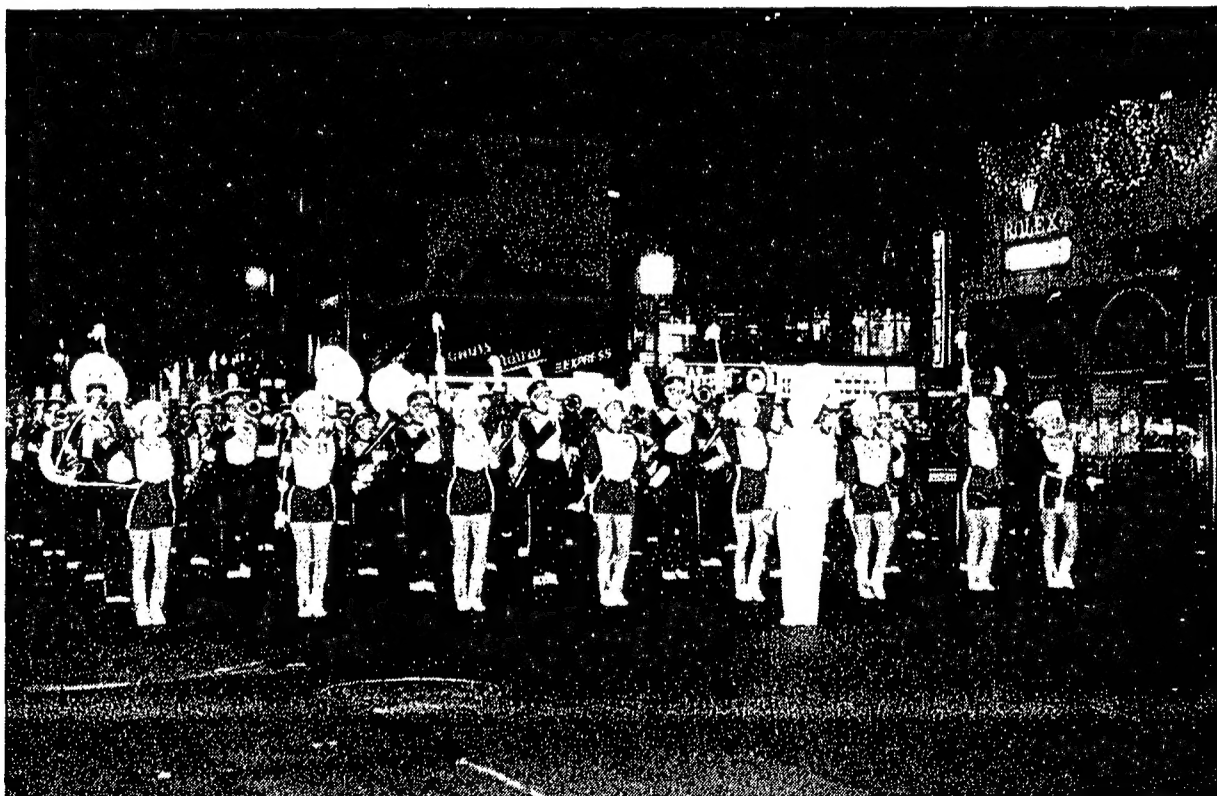
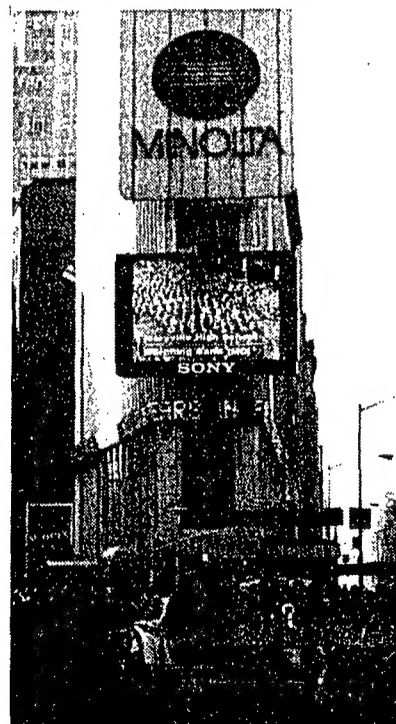


Spoofhounds play New York 'like a song'



Left, The marching Spoofhounds wait to take their place in the route of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. (Photo courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Dempsey)

Center, Off to an early start, the Spoofhounds practice their routine at four in the morning so that camera crews can find the precise angles for taping later that morning in the Macy's Parade. (Photo courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. David Wilmes)



Top left, The marching Spoofhounds are shown on the big screen in Time Square.

Above, Julie Brown and Susan Bruening prepare for their interview with Joe Garasiola on the Today Show.

Right, Band Director Lee T. Schnieder tunes each band members instrument at the parade routes starting point, in Central Park. (Photos courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Dempsey)

by Jane Waske
Staff Writer

The Maryville Marching Spoofhounds brought home more than just a bite after visiting the Big Apple over Thanksgiving.

To most band members, marching in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York was a dream come true. Band members returned to Maryville with the pride of a job well done and the memory of their trip. The Spoofhounds spent about four days in New York before heading to Chicago to perform in the Ronald McDonald's Christmas Charities Parade on Nov. 23. The band returned to Maryville on the 25th.

"I was very pleased with the reception (of the New York audience). They seemed to appreciate our presentation...especially our scissor-step and backward march," Director Lee Schneider said.

Band members were awake and in front of Macy's at 3:00 a.m. to practice for the parade. Beginning at 9:00 a.m., the Spoofhounds were more than ready to march the two and one-half miles of the parade route, with large crowds greeting them on either side.

"What made this parade different from most was the mass humanity on both sides of the streets," commented Schneider. "There were barricades and people as far as you could see."

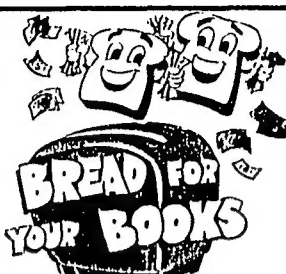
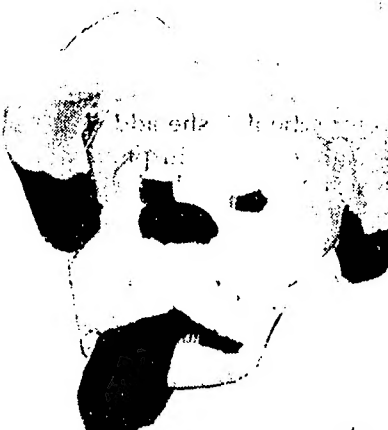
The band and the city of Maryville received positive pub-

licity from the event, as the parade was broadcast nationwide on Thanksgiving Day. Also, NBC's Today Show aired a two-minute video featuring the Spoofhounds' dedication and the support of the community.

While in New York, the Spoofhounds were able to visit several well-known attractions. Band members enjoyed visiting Radio City Music Hall, shopping at Macy's, seeing "Phantom of the Opera," and visiting St. Patrick's Cathedral and Rockefeller Center in a tour of New York. However, most band members felt the parade was their favorite part of the trip, according to junior Aaron Shipley, tenor saxophone player.

"It was a positive experience for everyone. We had a more positive response in New York than in Maryville," Shipley said. "It made us realize how much the band leaders and the community worked."

The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade capped off the marching band season for the Spoofhounds on a good note. Currently, the concert band is concentrating on its' Christmas program scheduled for Dec. 18.



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Campus attracts Wagner

by Jeff T. Behney
Staff Writer

Obviously talented, soft-spoken, modest, funny and bright, 6'1", long blonde hair. All these adjectives add up to one person — Bearkitten basketball player Danae Wagner.

The Northwest women's basketball team is 6-0 on the season which is due partially to the shooting ability of Wagner. She is also leading the conference in scoring with a 21 points per game average.

Growing up in Hampton, Iowa, and playing six on six basketball has given Wagner the ability to shoot the ball as well as she does.

One of the deciding factors that drew Wagner to Northwest was Bearkitten Coach Wayne Winstead.

"You couldn't ask for a nicer, caring coach," Wagner said.

The size of the school was also a factor that she based her decision on.

"I liked the number of students. In a school this size, not everybody knows your business," Wagner said. "Compared to smaller colleges where people know what happened the same night.

"If I would have gone to a bigger school to play, I might have gotten lost in the numbers and not have done as well," Wagner said.

"You have more privacy than smaller schools and you don't get lost in the crowd like bigger schools," she added.

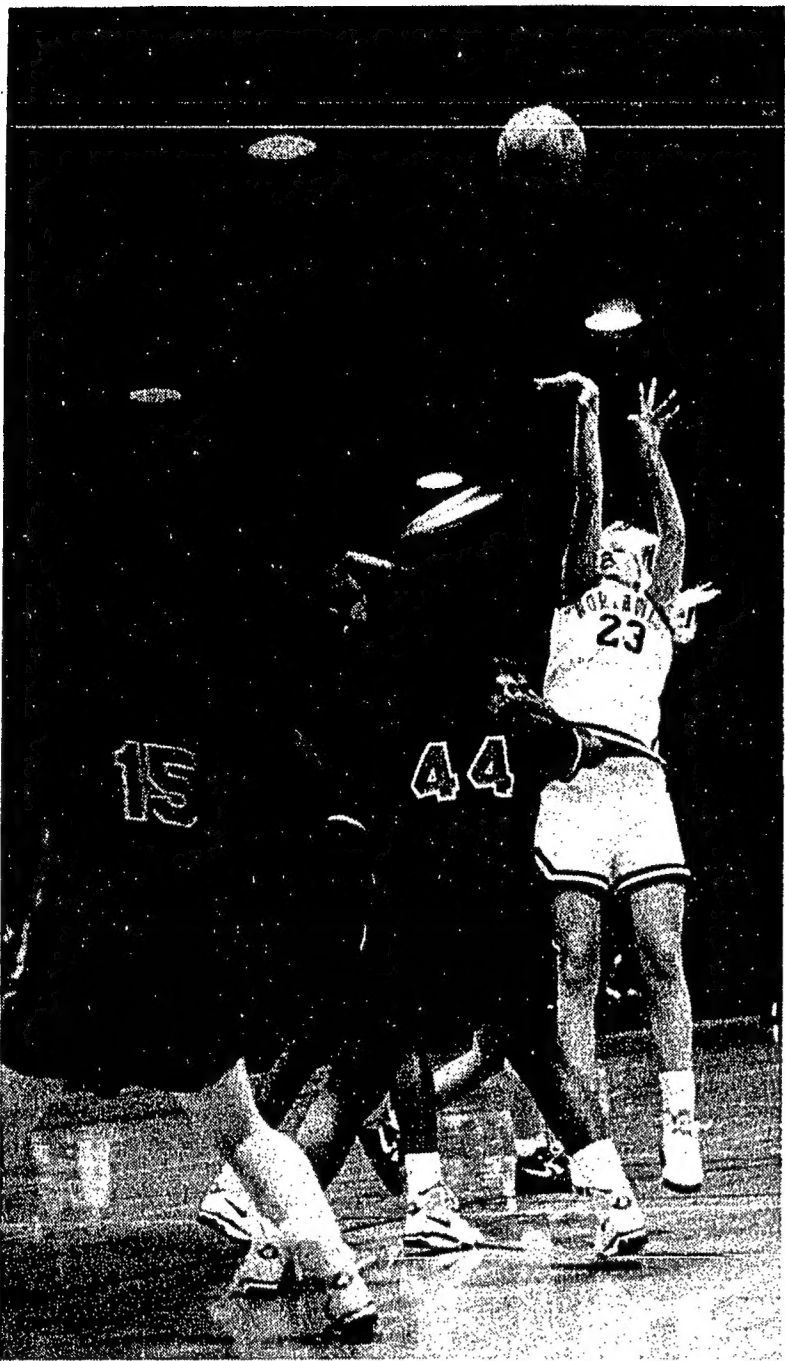
Wagner draws inspiration from her brother who lost his arm at the age of two.

"I don't have a hero, but someone that has had a definite impact on my life is my brother," Wagner said.

"He never let anything stop him," she said. "My brother is who I look up to."

Scoring lots of points and winning at basketball games is what makes Wagner happy.

Wagner said she very rarely does get mad.



UP AND AWAY-In a field goal attempt, Danae Wagner shoots over the Missouri Baptist defenders. Wagner led the team in scoring Monday and will face South Dakota Friday night. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

"I get more frustrated than I get mad. Things that get me frustrated is when I don't think I'm playing very well," Wagner said.

If she could do anything over again, Wagner would leave everything as it is.

"I've had my share of bad things, but I don't know if I would re-do them. Those things are usually the most fun things you do," Wagner said.

The only trouble Wagner has run into at Northwest occurred last year when she wanted to move off campus. Athletes receiving scholarships are supposed to live on campus.

"Finally," she said, "one person was given permission to

move off, so they had to let others do the same."

Wagner describes herself as being quiet around others until she knows them better.

"I'm a good observer. I'm one that can figure out what is going on in a room when people don't think you're paying attention," Wagner said.

"I do my own thing. I don't worry about what other people think. I do not put on an act," she said.

"I am who I am and I've worked to be who I am. You have to keep working to be who you want to be."

Wagner is majoring in fashion merchandising and hopes that someday she will marry her fiancé and run her grandmother's clothing store.

Bearcats surge back to defeat Rockhurst

by Joe Bowersox
Sports Editor

The Bearcat basketball team erased an early 15-point deficit and defeated Rockhurst College 75-63 in Kansas City.

Rockhurst exploded to a 20-5 lead before Northwest could get the offense rolling. Northwest used a 23-6 spurt to stop the Hawks.

"We just came out very flat. We couldn't get the ball in the basket, and they kind of caught us on our heels," said Bearcat Coach Steve Tappmeyer.

Northwest used two early time-outs to correct the Rockhurst surge.

"Finally, we caused a few turnovers and Larry Brown and Jeff Johnson started to click offensively," Tappmeyer said.

Larry Brown paced the 'Cats with 20 points and 7 rebounds. Jarrod Harrell chipped in 12 points.

Sophomore Jeff Johnson went 3-for-3 from 3-pt. land, finishing with 10 points.

"I came off a little bit better on defense," Brown said. "My defense makes my offense."

"I felt we were the better team even when we were 10 or 11 points down, but when it

reaches 15, that's a little bit scary," Tappmeyer said.

"We can't do that on the road and expect to beat most teams," Tappmeyer said.

Rockhurst battled back to reclaim the lead twice in the second half, but Northwest took the lead for good on Keith Wilborn's layup with seven minutes to go.

The 'Cats outscored Rockhurst 18-5 in the closing minutes.

Freshman guard Al Jackson dished off five assists and had four steals on defense.

Jeff Walton and David Verhulst scored 16 points each to lead the Hawks.

Larry Brown has been the main attraction for the Bearcats. Brown is averaging 17 points a game, and the Bearcats outscored Rockhurst by 25 points while Brown was in the game.

"He's an excellent offensive basketball player," Tappmeyer said. "We think he is going to be an awfully good player for us."

Tappmeyer is still concerned about where his team stands. "I don't think our team is playing enough intense minutes to win big basketball games," Tappmeyer said.

The Bearcats tangle with Big Eight power Kansas State this

"We can't do that on the road and expect to beat most teams."

**-Steve Tappmeyer
Bearcat coach**

weekend. The game will be played Saturday night in Manhattan, KS.

"We're planning on going into the game to be very competitive," Tappmeyer said.

"I don't know how much of a division there is between Kansas State and a Central Missouri State or a Missouri Western," Tappmeyer said.

"We need to go in and be ready to put our best effort forth, and if that's good enough to win then that's the way it will be," Tappmeyer said.

Brown believes the Bearcats must attend to their own business. "Execution is our biggest thing to win," Brown said.

Tournament honors Bortner

by Jason Bruhn
Staff Writer

The Jerry Bortner Memorial Racquetball tournament, held this weekend at Lamkin Gymnasium in memory of the late lieutenant colonel, ended with a small turnout.

ROTC Project officer Bill Pick said the turnout of 35 players was disappointing.

"We were expecting a lot more people, and we are evaluating how we can improve it for next year," he said.

The finalists for mixed double's play in the tournament were Robbie Mack and John Kirby, while Ted and Diane Reed won the novice division. Curt Fink and Jim Smeltzer capped the men's doubles competition.

In single's play, Robbie Mack

captured the women's open title, while Curt Fink swept the men's singles and open. Curt Wolmart won the men's singles novice title.

Smeltzer said the tournament was a success. "You always like to play, winning is just the icing on the cake," he said. "I just enjoy playing and watching others play. We had good competition."

Robbie Mack knew Bortner from his racquetball tournaments and matches. She, too, had a good time playing against familiar opponents.

"I had fun since I play with most of the players that made it to the end," Mack said.

She looks forward to playing again next year. "You bet. I just enjoy coming out and playing," she said.

Bortner's wife, JoAnn, was

happy with the continuation of her husband's efforts to organize racquetball tournaments.

"I think he would have been very pleased and very honored that they went ahead and did this for him," Bortner said.

"He loved racquetball and tried every year to organize the tournament," she said. "I knew the cadets had strong feelings for my husband. I was very pleased they were honoring him this way," Bortner said.

Pick said the loss of Bortner was a great surprise to the ROTC cadets.

"We were truly shocked; we were taken aback. Jerry was in great physical shape. He was a friendly person and cared about us not only as cadets but as human beings. To him grades and academics came first," Pick said.

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Over the pickle barrel



by Joe Bowersox
Sports Editor

I dipped my hand into the pickle barrel and pulled out a pickle that was old, wrinkled and looked as if it had been in the brine too long.

I took my first bite and the sour taste reminded me of the NCAA's ruling on UNLV's basketball program. This is terrible.

UNLV Coach Jerry Tarkanian had made himself exempt from the NCAA through the courts, but Tarkanian is finally suffering the punishment from his two-year probation in 1977. But, is it enough?

Tarkanian was the principle figure in a 1977 scandal, in which he was ordered by the NCAA to be suspended by UNLV.

Tarkanian sued the NCAA and was granted an injunction that prevented UNLV from banning Tarkanian over this case.

The NCAA appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. This case has since been tied up in court, and Tarkanian and his program became untouchable until now.

The Supreme Court finally ruled in favor of the NCAA. Tarkanian was now open game for the sanctions committee.

The dog had finally caught the rabbit, but then the dog let the rabbit loose.

The NCAA had recently banned UNLV from post-season play, but later reversed their decision.

The reasoning was the players were treated unfair because they were not able to apply for the NBA draft after the NCAA's crack-down.

I agree that the players on this team had nothing to do with the problems in 1977, and they should not be punished, but does this make Tarkanian right?

What is going on? Kansas was not allowed to defend their national title in 1988-89.

Kansas Coach Roy Williams and his players had nothing to do with the allegations brought against Kansas, but they had to suffer. So why did Tarkanian escape?

Well, Tarkanian grumbled and the NCAA listened. UNLV players planned to sue the NCAA because the timing of the decision did not allow them to apply for the NBA draft.

The NCAA later reversed their decision and let Tarkanian decide the punishment.

I believe the NCAA could have arranged the decision to come in time to allow these players to make their choice.

Tarkanian decided that UNLV will be banned from post-season play, and live television next year.

This year, Tarkanian will enjoy his team's march into the NCAA tournament.

This penalty does not hurt UNLV at all. Sure they will lose \$300,000 in television revenue, but they should be able to cover their losses with this year's championship run.

UNLV will make hay while the sun shines. Heck, this team is better than the Denver Nuggets.

Next year will be a different story. The Runnin' Rebels will suffer the loss of four NBA first-round draft choices.

Muscleman Larry Johnson, play-maker deluxe Greg Anthony, 3-pt expert Anderson Hunt and do-everything Stacey Augmon will join the NBA's million-dollar club.

UNLV will experience a rebuilding year next season, so the big television offers will not be as numerous.

This year, UNLV could play Jamaica A&M and get a television contract.

The NCAA must be fools for allowing Tarkanian to slip through their fingers.

It is obvious that Tarkanian wants to reap his benefits from this year, and cut his minimal losses next year.

It wouldn't surprise me if the 60 year-old Tarkanian would retire after this season, and sit back and laugh at the NCAA.

The NCAA should develop some consistency in the ruling's and their time management.

Wow, that pickle was tough to chew. So I reached in for one last gerkin to munch on.

From the bottom of the barrel, I found that even though Jerry Tarkanian has won 83 percent of his games, he has only been to the Final Four three times in 17 years as UNLV's coach.

Bearkittens remain perfect despite 'ugly' performance

by Gene Morris
Managing Editor

The Bearkitten basketball team felt less than perfect Monday night against Missouri Baptist in Lamkin Gym, despite moving their record to a flawless 6-0.

"It was an ugly ballgame," said Coach Wayne Winstead. "We played ugly for the first 30 minutes. That takes into consideration the way we are capable of playing though."

The Bearkitten players felt the same way about their performance on the court.

"We can play a lot better," said Danae Wagner, who led all scorers in the game with 17 points. "We are further along than we were last year at this time, but we have a long way to go."

The team's recent trip to Florida may have influenced the contest Monday night, according to Winstead.

"The Florida trip contributed to the way we played," Winstead said. "We had four days where we were not able to practice at all."

With 10 minutes remaining in the first half, Sara Hemminger took an offensive rebound and sank it to give the Bearkittens the lead for good. The Kittens went into the half with a 37-30 lead and broke things open in the second half.

The Kittens were leading by 11 points when Lisa Kenkel sank a three-pointer with seven minutes remaining. The basket started what turned out to be a 14-point run for the Kittens.

"We played ugly for the first 30 minutes."

**-Wayne Winstead
Bearkitten coach**

Three minutes after starting the scoring streak, Kenkel sank a jumper to end it and increase the lead to 69-44. The Kittens controlled things the rest of the game and left with a 79-56 victory.

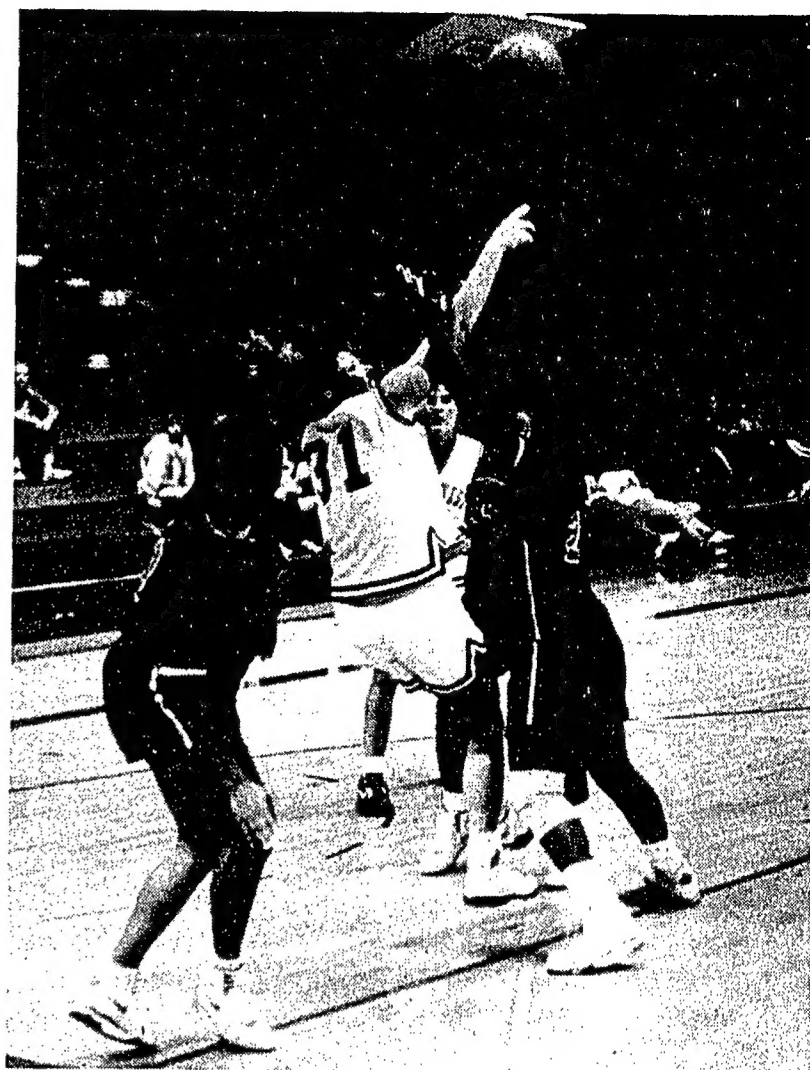
The loss dropped Missouri Baptist's record to 0-7, while the Kittens moved to 6-0. Both teams had trouble handling the ball, committing 21 turnovers each.

The Bearkittens' enthusiasm just was not there Monday night, according to Wagner.

"We need to have more intensity on the court and play more as a team," Wagner said. "We lacked intensity tonight."

The Bearkittens were led offensively by Wagner, Jamie Lindsay and Kenkel. The three combined for 49 of the team's 79 points.

Wagner led the way with 17 points, four rebounds and three steals. Lindsay scored 16 points while grabbing 10 rebounds and blocking one shot. Kenkel had 16 points, five rebounds and one



GOING DOWN-Bearkitten Chris Swanson takes an off-balance shot in the second half of Monday's game. The Kittens improved their record to 6-0, their best start in seven years. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

steal.

Susan Ringer and Amy Rold set the stage for the scorers with a total of nine assists during the game. Ringer had five assists while Rold had four.

Missouri Baptist was led by Sonya Mitchell and Debra

Faulkner. Mitchell had 12 points, five rebounds and six steals. Faulkner had 13 points, one assist and two steals.

The Bearkittens' next game is against South Dakota in Lamkin Gym Friday night with the tipoff at 7:30 p.m.

Contracts soar in winter meetings

by Gene Morris
Managing Editor

Many players have changed teams during the Major League Baseball Winter Meetings, but trades have been few and far between.

Free agency is shaking up the lineups around the major leagues. Darryl Strawberry is no longer playing for the New York Mets, but will be paid more than \$20 million for the next five years.

The salary being paid to Strawberry could be considered a bargain when looking at some deals other players have gotten.

The Kansas City Royals signed Kirk Gibson to a two-year deal worth over \$3.3 million, despite the fact that he has played less than half of the last two seasons

with the Dodgers.

During the same week, the Royals' pitcher of the year, Steve Farr, signed a three-year contract with the New York Yankees worth over \$6.6 million. Farr has a career record of 37-35 with a total of 50 saves.

Farr was not the only .500 pitcher to sign a big contract this week. Ken Dayley and Bud Black have both signed deals worth millions.

Dayley, who has a record of 33-45 with an ERA of 3.56 and 39 saves, signed a contract with the Toronto Blue Jays for \$6.3 million over the next three years.

Black, who has a record of 83-82, signed a four-year deal with the Indians worth over \$10 million.

Willie McGee, the National

League's batting champion, left the Oakland Athletics and signed a four-year contract with the San Francisco Giants. The deal will pay McGee \$13 million.

Former Cardinal Terry Pendleton signed a contract with the Atlanta Braves. The deal is for four years at \$9.8 million.

Another former Cardinal was signed by the New York Mets Wednesday. Vince Coleman signed a four-year deal which will pay him \$12 million.

The Giants have signed Dave Righetti to a four-year, \$10 million contract. Righetti was 1-1 with 36 saves for the Yankees last season.

Right-hander Dennis Martinez agreed to a three-year, \$9.25 million contract with the Expos. Martinez was 10-11 with a 2.90

ERA in 1990.

Matt Young, an 18-game loser in 1990, was signed by the Boston Red Sox to a three-year deal worth \$6.35 million.

The San Diego Padres and the Toronto Blue Jays made the biggest trade of the winter meetings as of Wednesday afternoon. The Padres sent Roberto Alomar and Joe Carter to the Blue Jays in exchange for Tony Fernandez and Fred McGriff.

There are 190 players making over a million dollars per year. The figure means that 25 percent of the major league players are making at least a million dollars a year.

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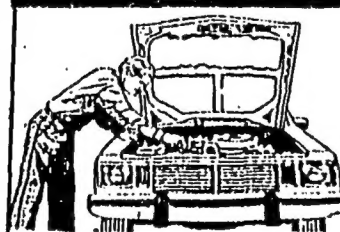
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